

Mass Intentions for June

Friday 1 September: John and Brigid Egan, Cunny

Saturday 2 September: Sean Henry (month's mind)

Sunday 3 September: Paddy Dunning, Ballinaculla

Sunday 10 September: John, Kate and Mike Gavin, Cappamore

Sunday 17 September: Margaret Shine, William Shine and deceased family members, Drumlosh

Friday 24 September: Sonny and Kathleen Cunningham

Sunday 1 October: John and Nancy Ward, Curnaboll

Friday 6 October: Margaret Dunning

Altar Servers

3/10 September: Áine, Ella, Sarah, Aoife

17/24 September: Lorcan, Cian, Ava

1 October: Rachel, Eoin

Reader: Maura Shine

Altar Society: Mary Kelly

Ministers of the Eucharist

3/10 September: Mary Naughton

17/24 September: Ann Golden

1/8 October: Helen Cunningham

To arrange a Mass you must contact the office in Drum. The Drum office is open Monday to Thursday from 9.00 am to 2.00 pm. Phone Catherine at 09064 37125

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Congratulations to all who did well in their exams. We wish those starting college and secondary school every success in their studies.

Cemetery Sunday

There was a very large attendance in Clonown cemetery on 20 August. It was a special occasion as the cemetery will be one hundred years old later this year. People with family members who are buried in the cemetery attended the Mass which was celebrated by Fr Kazimir who spoke about the opening of the cemetery in 1917. The church choir sang hymns during the Mass, accompanied by Sean Crehan on his guitar. Afterwards people went to the community centre where refreshments were served. The committee wishes to thank all those who contributed to the collection which will go towards the upkeep of the cemetery. For instance, a lawnmower had to be purchased recently.

Preparations for Cemetery Sunday

The cemetery looked really well for Cemetery Sunday, thanks to all the work that was done beforehand. The County Council tarred the avenue recently. People tidied family graves and provided flowers. Besides this, volunteers tidied unattended graves in other areas of the graveyard. Two inscribed stone seats commemorating the anniversary and two large containers of flowers were placed in the cemetery. Notices, reminding people to bring home old wreaths etc were erected. We wish to thank the Rural Social Scheme for keeping the grass areas and paths maintained. We are especially grateful to Mulveys Garden Centre for sponsoring the flowers and Kildea Concrete for donating gravel.

Clonown School

Four children began their school life in Junior Infants this September in the local school. We wish Tomás Farrell, Mia Harney, Eabha Gilhooly and Ciara O'Neill a happy time in school. Over the past few years we have had reports from the children telling us about their various activities during the school year. We have missed these reports during the Summer months but we look forward to publishing articles about the children's future activities in the newsletter during the coming school year.

Oarswoman of the Year

Congratulations to Orlaith Duncan, Ballinaculla, who won Athlone Boat Club's Oarswoman of the year 2017.

Clonown's Connection to the Roses

Many of us watched the Rose of Tralee on television last week. The Kildare Rose, Deirbhle Mulvihill, has close Clonown and Drumlosh connections. Her grandmother, Mary Dunning, came from Drumlosh and her grandfather, Tommy Shine is from Curnaboll and she has many cousins living in the area. Deirbhle teaches in Clongowes Wood College. Another Clonown connection with the roses is the new Rose of Tralee, Jennifer Byrne. Her father, Declan Byrne, played with Clonown Rovers for years.

Classes

If anyone is interested in classes in the community centre please contact a member of the hall committee. Classes in flower arranging, computers, First Aid etc. may be arranged if there is a demand.

Altar Servers

The rota for the altar servers will not be fixed permanently until after the training which will take place in September. The date for the training is still to be fixed. Any child from third class up who wishes to become a server can contact a member of the pastoral group. Parents will be informed of the date and time of the training sessions.

Road Safety

Clonown roads have become very popular for walking, running and cycling. It is great to see people interested in such healthy pursuits. However, at times, particularly at dusk or night time, motorists find it difficult to see people on the narrow roads unless they are wearing high visibility jackets. Besides wearing the jackets, cyclists should also have front and rear lights on their bicycles. The walking path around the pitch has been popular. The lights will be turned on at the end of September.

Wedding Bells

Congratulations to Paul Dunning, Oldtown and Stephanie Kenny who married recently.

Peggy Lennon RIP

Our deepest sympathy to Kathleen Lenehan, Oldtown, on the recent death in her hundredth year of her grandmother, Peggy Lennon, Summerhill.